Highlights 2001 Annual Report

Building Missouri: 2001 Construction Highlights

MoDOT is responsible for more 32,000 miles of highways and bridges. The effort needed to build and maintain this \$60 billion asset is enormous. At any given time, MoDOT may have hundreds of highway expansion and improvement projects in progress.

This section is a mere sample of work the department undertook for 2001. The projects listed on the following pages were under construction between July 1, 2000, and June 30, 2001. The list consists of some of our construction highlights and does not include all projects started or completed by MoDOT during that time.

Kansas City

Bruce R. Watkins Drive – Route 71 link between downtown Kansas City and the Triangle opened in October.

Missouri River Bridge at Lexington -Construction continued on the new Route 13 bridge.

The Triangle – Reconstruction of Interstate 435 and resurfacing work on Route 71 marked the beginning of improvements to Kansas City's most complex interchange.

Route 50 – Resurfacing Route 50 from Todd George Road to the Johnson County line. The project, which includes a new bridge over Route 7, continues through next year.

> **Interstate 70** – Emergency resurfacing of I-70 between Interstate 470 and Route 7 took place this fall in Jackson County. I-70 resurfacing continues next year in Lafayette County.

Route 71 – A four-year pavement-replacement effort through Harrisonville reached its midpoint.

Route 169 – Paving from north of I-435 to Commercial Street in Smithville began a two-year effort that will reach to Route DD in Smithville.

Route 210 – The final section of a relocated Route 210 between Kansas City and Richmond opened in July.

St. Louis

Route 40 – Route is being widened from two lanes to three lanes in each direction; the Route 94 bridge is being replaced and a new Route 94/Route 40 interchange will be constructed.

I-44 – Pavement and resurfacing work is being done from Route 30 at St. Clair in Franklin County to the St. Louis County line.

I-55 – Construction began on a new interchange at Route 141, and I-55 is being widened from two lanes to four lanes in each direction.

I-70 – Replacing bridges at Branch, Prairie, Angelica, Grand, Buchanan, Riverview, Adelaide, Terminal Railroad bridge at West Florissant, West Florissant and Taylor in St. Louis City.

Route 141 – Route is being widened and relocated. Construction on a new interchange at Big Bend began.





Route 364 –A new roadway and bridges over the southern tip of Creve Coeur Lake and over the Missouri River are being constructed. A new interchange at Route 94 is being built.

North

Faraon Street Bridge over I-29 – This bridge is being replaced with a design that meets current interstate standards.

Frederick Boulevard – This major city street is being widened. Sidewalks and a traffic light are being added.

Mark Twain Memorial Bridge – A dedication and opening of the bridge was held.

North Central Missouri Regional

Airport – Construction began on a new airport just north of Route 36 three miles east of Brookfield.

Route C – The bridge was replaced over the South Fork North River in Marion County.

Route 6 – The bridge was replaced over Little Medicine Creek in Grundy County.

Route 36 – Route was widened to four lanes from the Missouri River east to the Livingston County line.

Route 36 – This highway is being widened from two to four lanes from the Caldwell County line to Chillicothe.

Routes 61 and 79– Flood damage was repaired near Alexandria and Hannibal.

Route 61 – Pilot program began to resurface route just north of Eolia with Road Armor, a process that can resurface roads in a few hours.

Route 63 – This highway is being widened from two to four lanes from Moberly to the Boone County line.

Route 63 and 24 Junction – Construction began on a commuter parking lot, and interchange lighting was installed.



Route 71 – Route was widened to four lanes from Savannah to Maryville.

Route 136– The bridge was replaced over the North Wyaconda River in Clark County.

Route 151 – The bridge was replaced over Flat Creek in Monroe County.

Central

Route AC – This Columbia project will widen Nifong Boulevard from Route 163 east to Grindstone Avenue and Route 63.

Route 5 – A new Route 5 Niangua Bridge is being constructed in Camden County.

Route 50/63 – A fully directional interchange is being built at the junction of Route 50 and Route 63 in Osage County.

Route 54 – A new diamond interchange is being built at the junction of Route 54 and Route HH in Callaway County.

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South

Bill Emerson Memorial Bridge - Construction is progressing on the main span of this new 4,000-foot long structure across the Mississippi River at Cape Girardeau.

Route 13 – The highway is being widened from two to four lanes between Route 83 to south of Collins.

Route 13 – Building a new Route 13 past Reeds Springs and Branson West in Stone County.

Route 13 – Three new interchanges are being built in Bolivar at Route 83, Polk County Route T and Route 32. Route 13 is being widened to four lanes.

Route 19 - Grading was completed for relocated lanes between Cuba and Steelville in Crawford County.

Route 21/47 - Replace bridge and intersection at Routes 21 and 47 in Washington County.

Route 28 – A bridge being reconstructed in Pulaski County will be dedicated as the Veterans Bridge.

Route 60 – Four-lane construction is being done between Route 21 north and Route 21 south in Carter County.

Route 60/63 – Construction of a four-lane bypass around Willow Springs to freeway standards.

Route 63/160 – Both routes were widened to five lanes in West Plains, and an intersection is being rebuilt.

> Route 65 - A new interchange is being built at the busy crossroads of Sunshine and Route 65 in southeast Springfield.

> **Route 67** – Construction is progressing on a new fourlane section along three miles of Route 67 in Madison County and a new interchange at Route E.

Route 67 (Poplar Bluff Bypass) - The construction of a new four-lane section along three and a half miles of Route 67 from the Route 60 interchange to two miles south of Route M in Butler County was completed.

Route 67/Route 32 Interchange – The new westbound Route 32 access ramp onto southbound Route 67 in Farmington was completed.

Route 71 – This major route is being relocated and widened to four lanes from Kelly Springs to just north of Route 76.

Route 249 – This bypass will connect I-44 with Business Route 71, north of Joplin, reducing congestion.

Route 360 – A new road is being built to connect Route 13/60 and I-44 west of Springfield.

Route 412 – The route is being upgraded to four lanes between Hayti and Kennett with grading work on the Hayti bypass underway. Additional roadway preparations continue in Dunklin and Pemiscot counties.

Route 465 – A new highway and new bridges will connect Route 65 and Route 76, offering access to areas on Branson's west side without traveling all of Route 76.

